

EXPRESS MAIL LABEL EV462291321US  
Appl. No. 10/731,452  
Supp. Amdt. dated January 13, 2005  
Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated Dec. 15, 2004

### **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

This is a supplemental response to the Office Action mailed on August 17, 2004. It is filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 15, 2004. The remarks below were previously submitted on November 30, 2004 in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated November 19, 2004. They are resubmitted for the Examiner's reference.

#### **Specification Amendment**

The correction to the Specification relative to Paragraph 13 is to correct a typographical error. No new matter is added based on this amendment.

#### **Restriction Requirement**

In the Office Action of August 17, 2004, the Examiner required restriction of the claims into three categories. Applicant hereby confirms the election of group I, Claims 1 through 8, 25 and 26. Applicant intends to preserve rights to the invention of claims 9 through 24 with the filing of a divisional application. No changes to inventorship result from entry of the restriction requirement or cancellation of claims 9 through 24.

#### **Drawings Amendment**

The corrections to the drawings are to conform the drawings to the text as appearing in paragraphs 16 and 17 and the remainder of the Specification. It is respectfully submitted that no new matter is added based on these amendments.

#### **Rejection of Claims**

The arguments presented in Applicant's November 9, 2004 Response to the Office Action of August 17, 2004, are hereby referenced and incorporated in their entirety.

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Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this response, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the listed phone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Amendments to the Drawings**

In the figures, please correct the drawing pages to change what is presently shown as Figure 3 to Figure 4.

Please correct the drawings to change what is presently shown as Figure 4 to Figure 3.

A complete set of corrected drawings is attached hereto beginning on page 12.